

agenda #3 9/22/08



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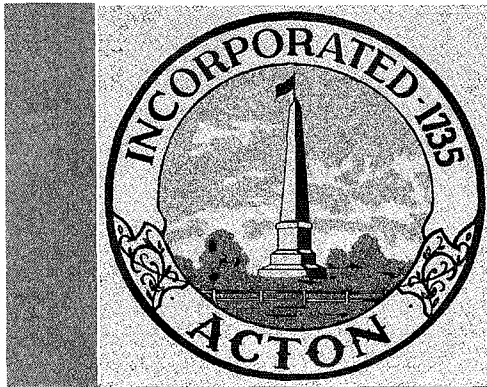
Mark Conoby, Member

Phil Alvarez, Voting Associate Member

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Joe Ianelli, Associate Member

Rita Dolan, Associate Member



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Mission

The BoH mission is to be the health safeguard of the citizens living and working in the Town of Acton. Protecting and enhancing, through education and enforcement the community health.

The BoH will achieve this mission by partnering with community health providers, leveraging resources, and attracting highly skilled staff.



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Vision Essentials

Essential elements of the Mission

- Community
- People
- Education
- Initiative
- Leadership and advocacy
- Laws and regulations



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BoH Mission

- Administer and enforce the health laws of MA
- Health Promotion outreach to all segments of the community
- Health risk management
 - Threats to air and water
 - Acceptable housing
 - Contagious diseases
 - Workplace safety
 - Disaster planning and recovery
- Continuous staff development to meet emerging threats



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Mission Achievements 2007-2008

Board of Health Actions

- Began and continued Show Cause Hearings regarding excessive water withdrawal at Quail Ridge Country Club
- Held hearings on 18 Title 5 variances, 5 Beaver Trapping requests, 1 Housing Inspection Appeal and 1 Hazardous Materials Control Permit
- Supported Safe Homes Policy and Salary Parity Policy
- Approved a BoH Emergency Response Policy, Idling Reduction Policy and a Lyme Disease Response Strategy
- Adopted wastewater regulations for Treatment Plants and private sewer systems and deleted Massage Regulations
- Created a Medical Reserve Corp Planning Committee to assist in the planning of emergency response to Pandemics and Bio-Terrorism events



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Mission Achievements 2006

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Health Department Oversight of

- Restaurant inspections of 120+ establishments
- Hazardous Material inspections of 110+ permit holders
- Septic installation/repair inspections on 150+ units
- Tobacco Compliance inspections on 25+ permit holders
- Sewage treatment inspections on 12 treatment plants
- Public Swimming pool water tests 25+
- Respond to 25+ housing complaints
- Two Hazardous Waste day Collections

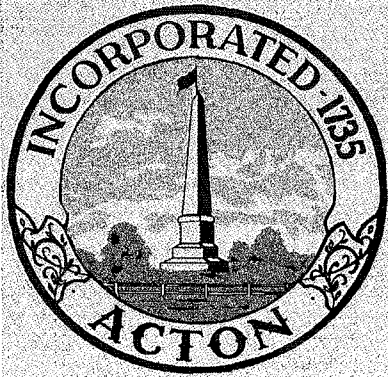


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Mission Achievements 2007-2008

Health Promotion outreach to all segments of the community

- Nursing Service treated 150+ clients, with Nursing visits, Home Health Aide visits and therapists (Physical, Occupational and Speech)
- Reached an agreement to provide public health services to the Town of Stow, which offset costs to Acton residents
- Provided second annual Wellness University for Seniors
- Continued skin cancer awareness programs at NARA
- Participated in planning groups with the Community Health Network Area (CHNA 15) and Acton/Boxboro Coalition for Healthy Youth
- Flu clinics
- Podiatry visits
- Rabies Clinic
- Communicable disease reporting



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2009 Goals

- Conduct a Community Health Assessment to identify public health programs especially targeted at underserved areas of the community
- Adopt new BoH regulations regarding Stormwater compliance
- Encourage new technology for contaminant removal
- Develop outreach programs that provide public health education
- Others?



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Challenges

Selectmen Support Requested on:

- Community Health Assessment
- Lyme Disease Response Strategy
- Others?